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House Bill 1122

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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Code Section 16-11-173 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 2 legislative findings and preemption of local regulation and lawsuits, so as provide for local
- 3 authority with respect to parks or recreation areas owned by a municipality or county; to
- 4 provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and
- 5 for other purposes.

## 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 SECTION 1.

- 8 Code Section 16-11-173 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to legislative
- 9 findings and preemption of local regulation and lawsuits, is amended by adding a new
- 10 subsection to read as follows:
- 11 "(f) Nothing contained in this Code section shall prohibit municipalities or counties, by
- ordinance, resolution, or other enactment, from regulating or prohibiting the possession,
- transport, or carrying of firearms in any park or recreation area owned by a municipality
- or county."
- SECTION 2.
- 16 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
- 17 without such approval.
- SECTION 3.
- 19 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.